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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires further instruction on the nation's founding principles in required American history and civics courses in public schools.

Present law requires the governing authority of each public school offering American history and civics as prerequisites to graduation to include in the curricula of such courses the founding principles of the U.S. Proposed law retains present law and adds to the list of required information in such courses:

- (1) The Declaration of Independence.
- (2) The Constitution of the United States.
- (3) The Federalist Papers.
- (4) The Gettysburg Address.
- (5) National sovereignty.
- (6) American exceptionalism.
- (7) Globalism and the United Nations.
- (8) Immigration policy.

Proposed law requires that information on the founding principles of the U.S. be taught in grades kindergarten through eight.

Present law requires that textbooks adopted for use in public schools promote an understanding of the history and values of the people of the U.S. and La.

Proposed law retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 17:265; Adds R.S. 17:274.1(E))